



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D C 20463

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BY FACSIMILE AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

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RE: MUR 5446

Dear Mr. Crooks

In order to assist us in determining whether to recommend that the Commission find reason to believe a violation occurred in the above-referenced matter, we write to seek any substantiation or verification you can provide for the following statement at Section D. of your client's May 21, 2004 response to the complaint: "[Jeanne Welch] had worked tirelessly during the period preceding November 8, 2002, and continuing well into 2003..." In doing so, we would appreciate if your response quantifies the number of hours worked by Ms. Welch during the referenced time period, and explains the committee's method for calculating a rate of compensation for those hours.

This request should be considered strictly voluntary. Please be advised that if we do not hear from you by October 25, 2004, we will proceed to make our recommendation based on the information available to us at this time.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 694-1361.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Kathleen Guith".

Kathleen Guith
Attorney